

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
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LOK SABHA**

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PURCHASE OF SWITCHING EQUIPMENT BY C-DOT
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Will the Minister of COMMUNICATIONS be pleased to state:

- (a) whether Department of Telecommunications and Bharat Sanchar Nigam Limited have placed orders with multi-national companies for hardware and software separately;
- (b) if so, whether the same procedure is adopted by the C-DoT also for purchase of switching equipments;
- (c) if so, the details thereof; and
- (d) if not, the reasons therefor?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF COMMUNICATIONS (SHRI TAPAN SIKDAR)

(a) No, Sir.

(b) to (d): The eligible bidders as per terms and conditions of C-DOT & New Technology Switching Tenders are Indian companies registered to manufacture the tendered items in India.

The orders for Switching Equipment comprising both C-DOT and New Technology are placed as a complete package on L1 evaluated prices in Indian Rupees on all eligible bidders. This ordering package is based on the quote of the bidder.